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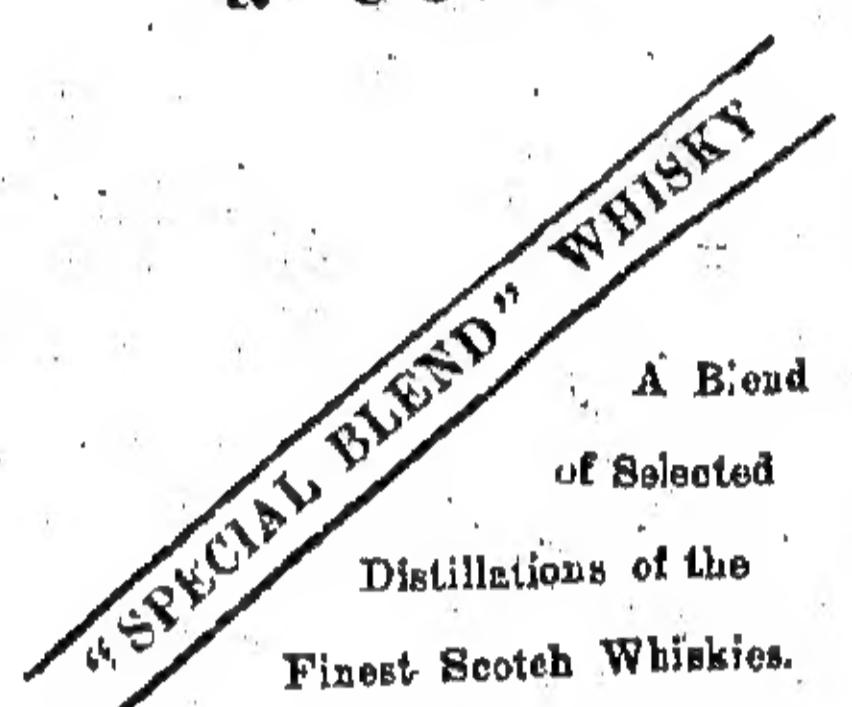
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Hongkong, 26th December, 1905. [a264]

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BIRTH.
On 29th December, at Maternity Hospital, Mrs.
S. G. A. Burke, a son. 128

HONGKONG OFFICE: 10A, DES VŒUX ROAD C.
LONDON OFFICE: 131, FLEET STREET, E.C.

The Daily Press.

HONGKONG, JANUARY 1ST, 1906.

Good resolutions are in order; and though
new year resolutions have come to be regarded
like other promises and proclamations, made to
be broken, we cannot wish our readers, as
we now do, one and all, a more happy and
prosperous year than the one just over,
without stipulating that the old custom of
turning over a new leaf be adhered to for
all it is worth. After all, a little of the
enterprise is apt to bear fruit; and we can-
not deny that, for one reason or another
(chiefly the idea that the times have been
put out of joint by "the war") we have
been prone to a policy of "makeise."

Would it not be agreeable if the Govern-
ment were to make a resolution that it
would start in earnest to consider if business
could not be helped by a Bill compelling all
Chinese partnerships to be registered; to try
and make life easier for our householders by
instituting the official registration of ser-
vants; and to make up their minds to
remember that Hongkong is after all a
foreign city, foreign made, and that Chinese
prejudices have been humoured long enough.

A resolution not to let 1906 pass away
without continuing the attack upon unsanitary
areas would be quite the proper thing to make
this week. In the old days, when the
Chinese had to be coaxed into the Colony,
it was good policy to make allowances for
their habits; but they need no inviting
now, even after the foreigner has put his

foot down with regard to certain matters.
Seventy years ago, come six months, the
virile hand of Lord PALMERSTON made itself
felt in the Canton river; it would be pleasant
to find a similar spirit animating local politics
once more. It would be pleasant, also, to
learn that all directors and managers of
local businesses, particularly public companies,
had resolved to shut their eyes to all
excuses, war effects, high exchange,
energizing climate, and all other; and to
induce some of the "hustle" that is
regarded as a necessity elsewhere. The

Hon. Mr. STEWART's remark concerning
sport was wrongly taken up and grievously
misinterpreted: there can be no doubt that
we need to concentrate more attention upon
business. Pleasant as life is in Hongkong,
socially and otherwise, there can be no two
opinions that it has its peers. To quote
a common saying, we are not out here for
our health's sake. Business is our raison
d'être; and therefore resolutions in the
direction of "strict attention to business"
ought to be in order just now. Hongkong is
averse to changes, the Chinese conservatism seems to pervade
and permeate the local air. Hongkong was
long in making up its mind that it would
have to revise its methods when the Suez
Canal was made. Then changes were
resisted; the removal of the dominating
centre to London was mistrusted; but who
could have foreseen that Suez would have
made Hongkong what it is to-day? These
have been innovations as great since
Japanese evolution is a Suez, Chinese rail-
way development is a Suez; European
politics are a Suez—we must wake up to
vastly changed conditions all round; and
ask ourselves if there is nothing we can do
to fall into step with the rest of the world.
If we are to do it, now is the acceptable
time—now in these first days of 1906.

The G. O. C. is giving a children's party on
Friday, 5th inst.

To-day the Naval authorities take charge of
the signal station at Victoria Peak.

Commander Everett, R.N., lectures on
Friday, 5th inst., to the Hongkong United
Service Institution, on "Naval signalling."

The German steamer *Rhacia* from Vladivostok
passed through Hongkong on December
30th with 1,043 Russian troops homeward
bound.

Calendars are to hand from the Commercial
Union through Mr. Trenchard Davis and from
the Yorkshire Insurance Co. through the East
Asiatic Trading Co.

The following have been chosen to play for
the Hongkong Football Club versus H.M.S.
Suffolk at Happy Valley, to-day (Monday).
Kick off at 4.15 p.m. Goal—Dr. F. H. Kew;
Bucks—J. Witchell and E. Humphreys. Half-
backs—H. C. Gray, W. Ironside and A. Morley;
Forwards—A. C. Dunham, R. Whittemore, W.
E. Leckie, R. Miller and J. Mead.

It is notified in the current *Gazette* that the
Crown will under Section 13 of the New
Territories Land Ordinance, 1905, re-enter upon
any land in the New Territories held from the
Crown in the name of any clan, family or
tribe who have not made and proved to Land
Office the appointment of a manager or
managers of such land in the manner prescribed
and within the time limited by the provisions
of that Ordinance.

H. M. the King has not been advised to
exercise his power of disallowance with respect to
Ordinance No. 8 of 1905 entitled "An
Ordinance to apply a sum not exceeding Five
million seven hundred and seventeen thousand
two hundred and seventy-six Dollars to the
Public Service of the year 1906," and Ordinance
No. 11 of 1905 entitled "An Ordinance for
raising the sum of Two Million Pounds by
Loan for the purpose of defraying the cost of a
Railway from Kowloon and for other Railway
purposes."

POLICE COURT.

Saturday, 30th December.

BEFORE MR. F. A. HAZELAND (FIRST
POLICE MAGISTRATE).

DISHONEST TRAM CONDUCTORS.

A native tram conductor was sentenced to
four months' hard labour for stealing 150 tram
tickets, the property of the Electric Tramway Co.
Mr. J. Gray Scott, manager, prosecuted and
stated there was a good deal of ticket-stealing
going on, but it was exceedingly difficult to
obtain the evidence to procure a conviction.

UNLICENSED LIQUOR SELLER.

A bawler named Wong Hing, charged with
hawking and selling liquor on the harbour
without a license, was ordered to pay fines
totalling \$300.

LATEST STEAMER MOVEMENTS.

The L.G.M. sir *Prinz Eitel Friedrich* left
Shanghai on Saturday at 11 a.m., and may be
expected here this afternoon.

The H.A.L. sir *Rhenania*, from Hamburg,
left Singapore for this port on the 29th ult., a.m.,
and may be expected here to-morrow, p.m.

The sir *Russ* left Manila on the 29th ult., at
4 p.m., and is due here to-day at daylight.

WEATHER REPORT.

The Hongkong Observatory yesterday issued
the following report:

On the 31st at 12.50 p.m. The barometer
had risen considerably over China, which is now
covered by an anticyclonic area, whose centre
lies to the North of the Upper Yangtze.

Pressure is relatively low over Japan.

Very strong monsoon is indicated in the
Formosa Channel and the N. part of the China
Sea.

Forecast:—Fresh N. winds; fair.

TELEGRAMS.

[DAILY PRESS EXCLUSIVE SERVICE.]

NEW YEAR HONOURS.

EIGHT NEW PEERS.

LONDON, 30th December.

Eight new peers have been
created, the recipients being Lord
Edmond Fitzmaurice, M.P. (brother
of the Marquis of Lansdowne); Sir
Arthur Divett Hayter, M.P. for Wal-
sall; Hon. Philip Stanhope, M.P. for
Harbord Division of Leicestershire,
and youngest son of the Earl of Stan-
hope; Right Hon. Charles H. Hemphill,
M.P. for North Tyrone; Sir
William Wills, Chairman of the Imperial
Tobacco Company; Mr. Charles
Henry Wilson, M.P. for Hull; Sir
James Joyce, M.P. for Chester-le-
Street (Durham); and Mr. Henry
Labouchere, M.P. for Northampton,
who has been made a Privy Councillor.

THE RUSSIAN REVOLUTION.

LONDON, 30th December.

The revolution in Moscow is ended.
AUSTRALIA AND OPIUM.

LONDON, 30th December.

The Commonwealth Parliament of
Australia has prohibited the importa-
tion of opium.

WAR STORES SCANDAL.

LONDON, 30th December.

Five arrests have been made in con-
nection with the war stores scandal.

DEATH OF A RAILWAY MAGNATE.

LONDON, 30th December.

The death of Mr. Charles Tyson
Yerkes is announced.

[Mr. Yerkes was better known in England
through his association with railway enterprise
in London. Born at Philadelphia in 1837, he
was for some time a clerk in the grain com-
mission trade. Afterwards he became a banker
but failed in 1871. Then he identified himself
with street railway operations in Philadelphia
and later in Chicago, subsequently becoming
connected with the "tube railway" in London.]

[REUTER'S SERVICE.]

RUSSIA.

LONDON, 28th December.

A part of the first corps returning from
Manchuria proceeds to Livonia, to suppress
riots.

Besides the Committee, sixty to seventy
of the most dangerous revolutionaries have
been arrested in St. Petersburg; this marks
failure to effect a rising there similar to
the one in Moscow.

29th December.

Fighting continues in Moscow. Mis-
chonok, the famous Cossack leader, in the
late war, commands the Grenadiers. Minor
encounters continue in St. Petersburg and
Warsaw.

The Moscow revolutionists are still
holding their own; a party broke into the
house of the chief of the secret police, whom
they slaughtered.

The whole of the Moscow revolutionary
committee has been arrested and a quantity
of bombs and explosives has been seized;
the attacks on the Police barracks was
repulsed with great loss, the revolutionists
afterwards distributed pamphlets, announc-
ing an armistice, and the workmen's council
met in the evening to consider the abandon-
ment of the strike.

DEPARTURE OF BARON SUYE-
MATSU FROM LONDON.

LONDON, 29th December.

Baron Suyematsu has left London for
Tokyo.

THE NEW FLOATING DOCK FOR
THE PHILIPPINES.

LONDON, 29th December.

The new mammoth floating dock for the
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started across the Atlantic, and will proceed
to the Philippines via the Suez Canal.

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CANTON.

[FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.]

December 30th.

THE CANTON-HAKOW RAILWAY.

It is reported that Viceroy Shum intends to
obtain a loan from the Government coffers to
proceed with the construction of the Yuet-Han
railway. The Provincial Treasurer, the Pro-
fessor, the Nam-hoi and Pun-yu magistrates and
the directors of the Si-han-kuk held a meeting
at the offices of the railway company and are
considering what amount could be raised to
assist the railway's affairs. The three rep-
resentatives sent by Viceroy Shum to consult
with Viceroy Chao Chi-ting regarding rail-
way matters are expected to return shortly to
Canton. It is reported that everything has been
satisfactorily arranged and that work on the
main trunk line will shortly be resumed.

THE LINCHOW AFFAIR.

It is reported that this sensational affair is
now settled. The Mission receives \$50,000
compensation for the buildings destroyed.
Compensation will also be paid for the mission-
aries murdered. Dr. Mackie refuses anything
for himself and will donate to the Mis-
sion society the amount he will receive on account of
his wife and daughter.

The affair being settled, the 62 Sheung-Pi
soldiers who were sent to Linchow have been
released and have now returned to Canton.

EXTRA DUTIES ON RICE.

The President of the Chamber of Commerce
here memorialized Viceroy Shum stating that
the Chamber is informed that the Wu-hu native
customs has imposed an additional five centa-
reous tax on rice exported to Kwangtung, and
requests his Excellency to communicate with
the Viceroy of the Liang-Kwang to have this
tax abolished as, on account of the scarcity of
rice in Kwangtung, the people would suffer
great hardships during the winter. Viceroy
Shum has consented to wire to that effect.

CHAU-TUNG-SANG.

I am informed that Chau-Tung-sang's family
have learnt that he is now safe in London.
Although Sam has no extradition treaty with
China, Chau was afraid of being kidnapped by
the Viceroy's emissaries and left for England.
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deputy to Lo Tzong, Chau's brother-in-law,
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FREEMASONRY.

At a Regular Quarterly Communication of
the District Grand Lodge of Scottish Free-
masonry in Hongkong and South China,
the following were elected as District Grand
Lodge Officers for 1906:—District Grand
Master: Depute, Wor. Bro. F. Howell;
Substitute Grand Master, Wor. Bro. J. Dickie;
District Senior Grand Warden, Wor.
Bro. J. D. Andrew; District Junior Grand
Warden, Wor. Bro. G. A. Watkins; District
Grand Secretary, Wor. Bro. A. Horley;
District Grand Treasurer, Wor. Bro. T.
Stafford; District Senior Grand Chaplain

1905. A HONGKONG RETROSPECT.

GENERAL AND CURSORY.

The year just ended may be mentioned as perhaps the most momentous of the current decade. We began it by anticipating the victory of Admiral Togo over Admiral Rozhestvenski, the retention of Weihaiwei, and the final settlement of the Tibet affair. The first we have seen realised; the second is practically assured; and about the third there seems still to hang a cloud. China has not yet confirmed the treaty; but otherwise there is no difficulty, and China so often plays the dog in the manger that it is not probable any will be allowed to rise as a consequence of this particular illustration of her stiffness. The episode most prominent in the year just over was, of course, the conclusion of peace between Russia and Japan. The end of war, and the beginning of peace, in which Hongkong was as vitally interested as any other part of the world not immediately involved, are too fresh in the memory, have left too vivid an impression, to need detailed comment here.

LOCAL.

We may pass at once to the strictly local aspects of the ended year; and here we are at once reminded of the extraordinary rise in exchange of which more anon), the general complaints of dear house rents and increased cost of living, the shifting of the business centre nearer to the sea, and (we hope not regarded as congruous) the depression in the money market. The year opened badly if we take crime as a criterion. Within the first fortnight, we had the first triple hanging in our history, by which three young "hooligans" paid the penalty for murdering a sampan woman under circumstances of singular brutality. This was followed almost immediately by an impudent act of piracy by Chinese within the harbour limits; and within a few days of that there was a fatal case of "anom". Cases of armed robbery were distressingly frequent throughout the year; in July there was a manslaughter case which created a temporary bad feeling between the military and civilian communities; and the Linchow massacre and the Shanghai riot, in the last two months of the year, although extraneous occurrences, added to the sum of our year's painful sensations.

LEGISLATION.

His Excellency the Governor has not been able, as we hoped he might, to oblige us with any legislative reform in the way of the registration of servants nor the registration of Chinese partnerships, though both have been regularly mooted as desirable measures. The chief feature of the year's legislation was undoubtedly the recent Bill which gave power to raise a loan for the purpose of furthering the Kowloon-Canton Railway project; and we enter 1906 with the liveliest hopes of having more encouraging progress to report in our next retrospect. In this connection also we must not overlook the loan made by the Hongkong Government to the Wuchang Viceroy for the purpose of redeeming from the American-China Development Company the concession for the great trunk line of railway which is to connect Hankow with Canton. What high political considerations lie at the back of this novel act of the Government must be left for the future to reveal.

THE RAILWAY OPENING OF CHINA.

The fact is that until 1905 the phrase "opening of China" was a misnomer. The surrants had been picked off the cake, as it were, by the opening of coast ports; but the first incisions of the carving knife were made in the period under review, as exemplified by the formal opening of the Peking-Hankow Railway, the extension of the line from Shanghai inland, and the other manifestations of railway enterprise to which reference has just been made. The activity of Peking and the Canton Viceroy in the matter of the Kwangtung railways, as reported in our last issue for 1905, enables us to begin the next course with an appetite.

HONEY BATTERS.

Financially, the year has been an unsatisfactory one, the Chinese residents being most "under the weather," and their stringency, coupled with war effects, the rising exchange, and so on, has had a most depressing effect on the share market. The most relieving feature has been the continual enhancement in the value of the shares of our premier bank, the Hongkong and Shanghai, which began the year at \$710 and reached \$915 in August. Their subsequent decline to \$860 was due entirely, we may suppose, to the desire to transmute dollars into gold, when the unusual rise in exchange seemed to make that the only popular transaction. The closing rate of \$890 is still \$150 more than the closing rate of 1904. The benefit of this will be felt most by the shareholders at Home, who are supposed to possess fully eighty per cent. of this popular stock. The substantial rise had substantial causes, the very solid administration being an important factor, and the Bank made enormous profits from the several Japanese war loans, and the Shanghai-Nanking Railway loan. A rich corporation like this is also enabled to take greater advantage of the fluctuations in exchange by which others may be embarrassed. The "H. & S." indeed, appears to have firmly founded that even a cyclone of commercial crises cannot shake it. Banking generally ought to have flourished on the increasing turn-over; and we are therefore particularly sorry to note the disappearance during the past year of the local branch of the Imperial Bank of China.

SHIPPIERS.

Shipping shares were a feature to which the public looked very hopefully during the year, but though charters were plenty and freights high, shareholders can scarcely be said

to have been satisfied. "Indo-Chinas" rose to \$132 on the strength of the "fat" year; and the disappointment (in some cases telegraphed half way round the world) at the small improvement on "loan" year returns, is still ranking. There was an immediate slump from \$125 to \$100 in June, and they are carried into the new year at \$90.

OF DIVIDENDS IN GENERAL.

We do not say the policy of the directors was wrong altogether; but in view of the peculiar conditions under which most stocks are held in this Colony, more consideration might be extended to those investors whose interest endures for terms of four to six years and then ceases, without injury to posterity. After all, the most permanent investor imaginable cannot prefer the fluctuating dividends to which he is accustomed (we are not now speaking of any particular company) to returns more consistent with earnings. We will probably have to wait for England's lead for legislation on this burning question; but in the meantime, we command to the consideration of thoughtful persons (including His Excellency the Governor and all others set in authority over us) the unhealthy possibilities underlying a wholly unfettered discretion which may hoard up money and suddenly, without warning or sufficient cause, announce a "thumping" dividend. It is not a new problem, the relation of business and speculation; but such years as 1905 bring it more forcibly before us, and so we may be excused for this apparent digression. To avoid any misunderstanding, we should say at once that the returns from shipping generally were not in accordance with what were looked for, and disappointment was not confined to any one company.

MARINE INSURANCE.

A good shipping year spoils a good insurance year, usually, and so far as we can ascertain, there is no reflect here of the increasing gambling on the London market. "Unions" rose from \$890 to \$710, and for them the new year opens most hopefully. "Cantons" began at \$250 and close at \$225, "Yangtzees" rose \$20, and "China Traders" progressed from \$57 to \$91, the closing rate being a *cum div.* one. Here the feature of the year has been the combination, not actually accomplished, but decided upon, a decision almost universally extoll'd, and an example that seems well worth the consideration of such companies as united might flourish and divided fail. Fire insurance companies have for some reason not attracted speculation, and their quotations at the end of the year are just what they were at the beginning. Their exclusion from the field of speculation appears to have done them no harm, the happy investors in "Hongkong Fires" drawing eleven per cent, and "China Fires" eight and a quarter.

SUGAR.

A serious drop in prices was experienced at the beginning of the year, but now the market is becoming steadier, and prospects are regarded as bright. Local refineries did well during the year. "China Sugar" and Taikoo (a private concern) distinguishing themselves. Hongkong people are very largely interested in "China Sugars," and are hoping for a repetition of the handsome returns of 1904. The shares touched \$216 during the year, when there was perhaps too much speculation; and the closing drop to \$200 is due to reports of the big continental beet crop, to the cheapness of raw sugar and Java sugar, and, of course, partly to the general depression. This serious decline has disconcerted several holders who had bought on time. "Luzons" fluctuated from \$15 to \$31 owing to rumours that the property was to be sold, and once they g'd down to \$14. They close at \$24.

MINES.

Very little interest was taken in these things, and with the exception of Chinese Engineering and Mining Co.'s stock, things are as they were at the end of 1904. "C.E.M.'s" having produced an attractive dividend, start the new year at Tls. 8.70.

WHARVES AND GODOWNS.

The Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co. has had an exceedingly busy year, and must have earned handsome profits. The shares, however, appreciated only four dollars in the twelve-month, due no doubt to the policy of spending largely on improvements out of revenue, a policy good for posterity, but not appreciated by the average Hongkong investor. Say a merchant buys 260 of these shares with spare capital: he is satisfied with his five per cent, and the safety due to the spending of three or four per cent on his asset. In two or three years, however, as in 1905, there comes a tight year and high exchange; and he needs the capital. He sells out, and leaves others to reap the benefit of those improvements.

A BAD YEAR FOR DOCKS.

"Docks" have been a sore point with investors and dealers. "George Fenwicks" started at \$45 and closed at \$25; "Hongkong and Whampoa" started at \$216 and closed at \$164; "Furnham" started at Tls. 153 and closed at Tls. 125; and "New Amoy" started at \$27 and closed at \$17. Thus a man who chose Far Eastern docks in 1905 as an investment would begin again this year with about three fourths of his original capital. The war is blamed for the bad business; steamers taken off the regular lines to serve as transports and so on. Increasing competition lowering prices without a corresponding drop in expenses probably had a good deal to do with it. The Hongkong docks suffered disappointment during the year at the failure to raise the wrecked French cruiser *Suffolk*. It must appear singular that with Hongkong enjoying the reputation of being the world's leading shipping port, with over nineteen million tons of shipping passing through, our docks should have to complain of scarcity of employment. It is a mercy, in view of this strange development,

that the proposals of two years ago, to build more large docks here, were defeated. Of course we look forward still to a time when the present docks will not be able to cope with the work offering; but such optimism was impossible in 1903. What we cultivated then was patience.

LAND.

The year 1905 was marked by a curious shrinkage of land values, property declining in value as much as twenty and twenty-five per cent. This was due, no doubt, to the financial stringency and the absence of speculators. As a result, "Hongkong Lands" retrogressed from \$147 to \$124; but "Humphrey's Estates" held their own, ending the year as they began, at \$12.50. An appreciation of \$1.50 in eighteen years, however, is nothing to boast of; and now that combinations are in the air, we wonder if a merger of land investments companies might not brighten things for 1906.

INDUSTRIES.

Our local cement works ("Green Island") have had a good year, and owing to increasing business, had to venture on a new issue of one for every two old shares. This made the average market value \$262, and the closing rate (a steady one) is given at \$281. The Hongkong Cotton Mill made a splendid showing during the year, paying ten per cent. on the reduced capital, and the shares closed at rates only a trifle higher than they opened. In view of the general boom in cotton, the prosperity at Shanghai, in India and Japan, those who hold original \$100 shares complain that they have a right to expect a little better return than the actual one per cent.; and are hoping that the management will make strenuous efforts to keep in the van of progress. During the year, all other stocks practically held their own, with some insignificant retrogressions; and while more "hustle" and enterprise is undoubtedly called for, the consensus of opinion is that local business is weathering a crisis with comparative credit.

GENERAL RETURNS.

Below we give sundry returns under various headings, which have been compiled and collected at rather short notice. Supplementary figures will be given as they come in.

EXCHANGE.

The year opened with a T.T. rate of 1/11-9.16, which gradually advanced until 2/9-1.16 was reached in January, before the Chinese New Year. After that festival, with its very disastrous settlement by the Chinese of their liabilities, rates fell away until the lowest point of 1/94 was reached on 10th April. Rates held their own after that, moving quietly between 1/10 and 1/11 until August. A prevalent opinion that rates would fall as soon as the war was over was entirely disproved by events subsequent to the peace of August. Exchange continued to be steadily firm, and for the rest of 22nd August the T.T. rate advanced to 1/11 and it has not been below 1/11 since. In November a sharp rise occurred owing to demands for silver both by Russia and India, and also for the redemption of the war notes in Manchuria by Japan. Rates advanced to over 2/1 in early in November and before the end of that month had touched 30 1/2 pence per oz., a price which has not been equalled during five years, and the T.T. advanced to 2/1 1/2 where it remained for three days with slight fluctuation, it went back during the first half of December to 2/0 1/2, although the price of silver advanced until it touched 30 1/2d. per oz. For a similar high price of silver, that rates would fall as soon as the war was over was entirely disproved by events subsequent to the peace of August. Exchange continued to be steadily firm, and for the rest of 22nd August the T.T. rate advanced to 1/11 and it has not been below 1/11 since. In November a sharp rise occurred owing to demands for silver both by Russia and India, and also for the redemption of the war notes in Manchuria by Japan. 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NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

NOTICE.

MR. ARTHUR KLEIN has this day been authorized to sign our Firm for Procurement.

LAUTS, WEGENER & CO.
Hongkong, 1st January, 1906. 118

NOTICE.

MR. WALTER BAUER has been authorized to sign our Firm for Procurement.

REUTER BROCKELMANN & CO.
Hongkong, 1st January, 1906. 119

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Pakhoi, 19 December, 1905.

DER KÄSSELICH DEUTSCHE KONSUL A.I.
H. VON VARGHMIN. 120

REMOVAL.

WE have this day REMOVED our office to KING'S BUILDINGS (3rd Floor, West Side).

MACDONALD & CO.
Hongkong, 1st January, 1906. 121

NOTICE OF REMOVAL.

THE Office of Mr. A. R. MARTY has this day been REMOVED to No. 11, DES VŒUX ROAD, opposite Messrs. W. POWELL & CO.'s premises; entrance from side-lane.

Hongkong, 1st January, 1906. 122

NOTICE.

WE beg to give Notice that we will RESUME BUSINESS at No. 29 & 31, DES VŒUX ROAD CENTRAL on the 10th January.

CHONG LEE & CO.
Furniture Dealers.
Hongkong, 14 January, 1906. 123

TO LET.

POSSESSION from 1st February, 1906, No. 6, MOSQUE JUNCTION, a Four-Roomed House known as DORABEE'S GARDENS; commanding a Fine View of the whole Harbour.

Apply by letter to "E. M. B."

Care of "Daily Press" Office.
Hongkong, 1st January, 1906. 124

TO LET.

HOUSE No. 5 ROSE TERRACE, Robinson Road, Kowloon. Immediate possession.

HOUSE No. 2 ROSE TERRACE, Robinson Road, Kowloon. Possession from 1st February, 1906.

Apply to—THE COMPRODOR, Messrs. BARRETO & CO.
Hongkong, 1st January, 1906. 124

(By ORDER OF THE MORTGAGEE).

PUBLIC AUCTION.

MESRS. HUGHES & HOUGH have received instructions to sell by Public Auction

On MONDAY, the 14th day of January, 1906, at 3 p.m., at their SALES ROOMS, the following:

VALUABLE LEASEHOLD PROPERTY situated at Victoria, in the Colony of Hongkong, viz.:

ALL THAT piece or parcel of ground situated at Victoria, aforesaid, and registered in the Land Office as SECTION A of MARINE LOT No. 104, containing by superficial measurement 2,800 square feet and having a frontage to Queen's Road Central of 30 feet and 6 inches or thereabouts and a depth of 80 feet. On this Section stands the very valuable house and premises known as No. 35 Queen's Road Central. All the said premises are held for the residue of a term of 494 years granted by a Crown Lease of MARINE LOT No. 104 and which Lease is dated 16th April, 1859.

For further particulars and conditions of sale apply to

JOHNSON, SPOKES & MASTER, Solicitors for the Mortgagee, or to

MESSES. HUGHES & HOUGH, Government Auctioneers.
Hongkong, 1st January, 1906. 126

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED, FOR FOOCHOW.

THE Company's Steamship "HAICHING," Captain A. E. Hodgkin will be despatched for the above port TO-MORROW, the 2nd prox., at 11 a.m.

For Freight or Passage apply to

DOUGLAS L'APRAK & CO., General Managers.
Hongkong, 30th December, 1905. 2942

FROM HAMBURG, BREMEN, ROTER-DAM, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE H.A.L. Steamship "ALESIA," Captain Towing, having arrived from the above ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature by the Undersigned and to take immediate delivery of their Goods from alongside.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary is given before To-Day.

Any Cargo impeding her discharge will be landed into the Inlanders and/or extra hazardous Goods of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

All Claims must be presented within ten days of the steamer's arrival here after which date they cannot be recognised.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godown, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 7th January will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godown, where they will be examined on the 7th January, at 3 p.m.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE,
Hongkong Office.
Hongkong, 30th December, 1905. 125

AUCTION.

[By ORDER OF THE MORTGAGEE].
PARTICULARS AND CONDITIONS
OF SALE

OF
VALUABLE LEASEHOLD PROPERTY,
Known as "THE METROPOLE HOTEL,"
to be sold by

PUBLIC AUCTION,
On THURSDAY,
the 11th day of January, 1906, at his
SALE ROOM, by Mr. G. P. LAMMERT,
Auctioneer.

General Manager for the East.
Hongkong, 15th November, 1905. 92

NOTICES OF FIRMS

THE EQUITABLE LIFE ASSURANCE
SOCIETY OF THE UNITED STATES.

I HAVE this day APPOINTED Messrs.
SHewan, TOMEs & CO. GENERAL
MANAGERS for Hongkong for the above
Society, in the place of Mr. F. KIENE, whose
engagement has been terminated.

J. T. HAMILTON,
General Manager for the East.
Hongkong, 15th November, 1905. 92

OCEAN ACCIDENT AND GUARANTEE
CORPORATION, LTD.

HEAD OFFICE: MOORGE STREET, LONDON

I HAVE this day APPOINTED Messrs.
SHewan, TOMEs & CO. AGENTS
for the above Corporation, in place of Mr. F.
KIENE, whose engagement has been terminated.

J. T. HAMILTON,
Manager for the East.
Hongkong, 15th November, 1905. 93

NOTICE.

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Hongkong, 27th December, 1905.

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Apply to—CHUNG SHUN KOO
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Hongkong, 19th July, 1905. [81]

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TO LET.

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TO LET.

FURNISHED ROOMS, with or without
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J. R. M. SMITH, Chief Manager

Hongkong, 1st May, 1906. 24

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REUTER, BROEKELMANN & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 21st April, 1907. 113

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Hongkong, 1st January, 1904. 29

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SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL. 2,753,000.

PAID-UP CAPITAL. 687,500. 0 0

II. FUND FUNDS. 3,001,266 12 9

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Hongkong, 30th June, 1905. 1567

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ARRIVALS.

ALBIA, German str., 5,253 H. Lanning, 30th Dec.—Hamburg and Singapore 23rd Dec., General.—Hamburg-Amerika Line.
ATHENS, British str., 1,439, Walter, 30th Dec.—Chinkiang 24th Dec., General—Dudwell & Co.
CHOYHONG, British str., 1,424, Salby, 31st Dec., Shanghai via Swatow 24th Dec., General—Jardine, Matheson & Co.
FERTHOFF, Norw. str., 891, H. A. Haraldson 30th Dec.—Amping, Amoy and Swatow 29th Dec., General—Omta Shoson Kaisha.
HAIACHING, British str., 1,267, A. E. Hodges, 31st Dec.—Swatow 30th Dec., General—Douglas Empress & Co.
HELEN, German str., 3,122, December, from Canton.
HOLSTEN, German steamer, 985, A. Niejahr, 30th Dec., Haiphong and Hoihow 29th Dec., General—Johsen & Co.
HUE, French str., 705, Gedean, 31st Dec.—Kwangchowwan 30th Dec., Rice, Matting and Charcoal—A. R. Marti.
JACOB DIESKEMANN, German steamer, 627 Hink, 30th Dec.—Padko 29th Dec., and Haidao 28th Dec., General—Johsen & Co.
KRIESENHOFF, German steamer, 39th December, from Canton.
KUENAN, French str., 6,489, Barillon, 30th December—Shanghai 25th Dec., General—Messageries Maritimes.
KWANGTAN, Chinese str., 13,360, Win. H. Lund 31st Dec.—Shanghai 28th Dec., General—Chinese.
OCEANO, British str., 1,739, Le Brun, 31st Dec.—Swatow 30th Dec., Light—Tied well & Co.
QUINTA, German str., 3,77, F. Frahm, 30th Dec., Port Louis via Singapore 4th Dec.—Sugar, Chinese.
RHETON, German str., 4,041, Behrens 30th December—Vladivostok 24th December—Ballast—Hamburg-Amerika Line.
SHAOHING, British steamer, 31st December, from Canton.
SIGNAL, German str., 907, C. Haesi, 31st December—Bangkok 22nd Dec., Rice and General—Johsen & Co.
TOONAN, Chinese steamer, 30th December, from Canton.
TUNSHING, British steamer, 31st December, from Canton.
YATSHING, British steamer, 31st December, from Canton.
YUNNAN, British steamer, 30th December, from Canton.

CLEARANCE.
AT THE HARBOUR MASTER'S OFFICE
29th December.
Manaton, British str., for Calcutta.

DEPARTURES.

30th December.
ALOIA, British str., for San Francisco.
ARACUA, German str., for Singapore.
CUCUAN, British str., for Singapore.
EMPIRE, British str., for Shanghai.
HAIAN, British str., for Coast Ports.
BONWAN, British str., for Amoy.
LOUNGANG, British str., for Manila.
MONKOUETHING, British str., for Nagasaki.
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SUNGKIAN, British str., for Col.
TIENTIN, British str., for Shanghai.
ZAFIRO, British str., for Manila.
29th December.
ALEIA, German str., for Shanghai.
ARIO-YO, British str., for Calcutta.
ATHENA, British str., for Canton.
DAIJIN MARU, Japanese str., for Tamsui.
DAIJIN MARU, Japanese str., for Swatow.
INDRAVELLI, British str., for Durban.
KNISSBERG, German str., for Shanghai.
NOMENIA, German str., for Portland.
NIPPON, An-ten-300, for Trieste.
PETCHABURI, German str., for Bangkok.
PHRANANG, German str., for Bangkok.
YUNNAN, British str., for Shanghai.
ZIREHUA, British str., for Amoy.

SHIPPING REPORTS.
The British str. *Haihong* reports: Moderate N.E. breeze and smooth sea.
The British str. *Choysong* reports: Moderate to fresh weather and rainy weather. 3 hours fog from 1 p.m. to 11.30 outside Swatow.
The Chinese str. *Kwangtung* reports: Dull overcast rainy weather with moderate wind from N. to N.E. all the way.
The British str. *Qingmo* reports: Light N.E. wind and slight sea. Fine weather but cloudy and overcast sky with every appearance of rain.

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30th December.

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| LONDON &c. VIA USUAL PORTS OF CALL | DELTA | Brit. str. | — | C. L. Daniel | P. & O. S. N. Co. | On 13th inst., at Noon. |
| AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP | TEDEUS | Brit. str. | 1 m. | | BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE | To-morrow. |
| AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP | IDOMENUS | Brit. str. | 1 m. | | BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE | On 16th inst. |
| AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP | STENTOR | Brit. str. | 1 m. | | BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE | On 30th inst. |
| AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP | SAINTE BEDE | Brit. str. | 1 m. | | BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE | On 13th Feb. |
| AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP | ANTERO | Brit. str. | 1 m. | | BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE | On 27th Feb. |
| MAISSEILLES, &c. VIA PORTS OF CALL | ERNEST SIMONS | French str. | — | Bourdon | MESSAGERIES MARITIMES | On 2th inst., at 1 P.M. |
| MAISSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP | GLENTURET | Brit. str. | — | R. Webster | MCGREGOR BROS. & GOW | About 16th inst. |
| MAISSEILLES, HAVRE, ANTWERP (DIRECT) | KOUANG-SI | French str. | — | R. Barillon | MESSAGERIES MARITIMES | On 6th Feb. |
| BREMEN, VIA PORTS OF CALL | P. E. FRIEDRICH | Ger. str. | — | Malechov | MELCHERS & CO. | On 3rd inst., at Noon. |
| HAVRE & HAMBURG VIA STRAITS, &c. | AMBRIA | Ger. str. | k. w. | Wunnenberg | HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE | On 16th inst. |
| HAVRE & HAMBURG VIA STRAITS, &c. | BRISAGRIA | Ger. str. | k. w. | Förck | HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE | On 24th inst. |
| HAVRE & HAMBURG VIA STRAITS, &c. | ERENARIA | Ger. str. | k. w. | Behrens | HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE | On 7th Feb. |
| HAVRE & HAMBURG VIA STRAITS, &c. | ARCADIA | Ger. str. | k. w. | Filler | HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE | Quick despatch. |
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| ODESSA DIRECT | ANDALUSIA | Ger. str. | — | | HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE | Quick despatch. |
| PARLING | PARLOCUS | Brit. str. | 1 m. | | BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE | On 20th inst. |
| COULSON | ATHOLL | Brit. str. | — | | BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE | About 2nd inst. |
| HUDSON | HUDSON | Brit. str. | — | | BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE | About 12th inst. |
| EMPEROR OF CHINA | EMPEROR OF CHINA | Brit. str. | 2 m. | J. Burnett | STANDARD OIL CO. | On 15th inst. |
| ATHENIAN | ATHENIAN | Brit. str. | 1 m. | | CANADIAN PACIFIC R. CO. | On 24th inst. |
| SHAWMUT | SHAWMUT | Am. str. | — | | CANADIAN PACIFIC R. CO. | On 23rd inst. |
| KINGCHOW | KINGCHOW | Brit. str. | — | | BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE | On 24th inst. |
| DAKOTA | DAKOTA | Am. str. | — | | BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE | On 27th inst. |
| NUMANTIA | NUMANTIA | Ger. str. | — | | BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE | On 7th inst., at Noon. |
| DAKOTA | DAKOTA | Brit. str. | — | | BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE | About 16th inst. |
| CHINGTU | CHINGTU | Brit. str. | — | | BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE | On 9th inst., at Noon. |
| SUMATHA | SUMATHA | Brit. str. | — | | BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE | On 13th inst. |
| CHILLI | CHILLI | Brit. str. | — | | BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE | On 17th inst. |
| SHAOHENG | SHAOHENG | Brit. str. | — | | BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE | On 21st inst. |
| ARCADIA | ARCADIA | Brit. str. | — | | BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE | On 3rd inst. |
| YIKANG | YIKANG | Brit. str. | — | | BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE | To-morrow. |
| ROON | ROON | Ger. str. | — | | BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE | About 13th inst. |
| ANPING MAHUA | ANPING MAHUA | Jap. str. | 1 m. | | BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE | To-morrow, at 3 P.M. |
| DAIGI MARU | DAIGI MARU | Jap. str. | — | | BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE | About 3rd inst. |
| FRITHJOF | FRITHJOF | Brit. str. | 2 h. | S. Tagami | OSAKA SHOSEN KAISHA | On 4th inst., at 10 A.M. |
| HAIKHIN | HAIKHIN | Brit. str. | — | A. E. Hodges | OSAKA SHOSEN KAISHA | On 7th inst., at 10 A.M. |
| TEAN | TEAN | Brit. str. | — | | DOUGLAS LAIRBAK & CO. | About 3rd inst., at 10 A.M. |
| YUENSANG | YUENSANG | Brit. str. | — | | BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE | To-morrow, at 11 A.M. |
| ZAFIRO | ZAFIRO | Brit. str. | — | R. Almond | JARDINE, MATHESON & CO. | On 5th inst., at 4 P.M. |
| BURENO | BURENO | Brit. str. | — | R. Rodger | JARDINE, MATHESON & CO. | On 6th inst., at Noon. |
| ONSANG | ONSANG | Brit. str. | — | F. Sembl | JARDINE, MATHESON & CO. | On 13th inst., at Noon. |
| NAMANGA | NAMANGA | Brit. str. | — | | MELCHERS & CO. | Quick despatch. |
| ISCHA | ISCHA | Ital. str. | — | Cogliolo | JARDINE, MATHESON & CO. | On 3rd inst., at 3 P.M. |
| TIJMAHI | TIJMAHI | Dut. str. | — | Brouwers | CAELowitz & CO. | On 12th inst., at Noon. |
| | | | | | JAYA-CHINA-JAPAN LINIE | About 12th inst. |

VESSELS ON THE BERTH

IMPERIAL GERMAN MAIL LINE,
NORDDEUTSCHE LLOYD, BREMEN.

JAPAN-CHINA-AUSTRALIA LINE
VI NEW GUINEA.

STEAM FOR

SIMPSONHAFEN, FRIEDRICH-WILHELMSHAFEN, HERBERTSHOFER,
MATUPI, BRISBANE, SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE.

On TUESDAY, the 9th January, at Noon, the Steamship "PRINZ WALDEMAR," Captain Wolters, with Mail Passengers and Cargo, will leave this port as above.

The Steamer has splendid accommodation and carries a Doctor and a Stewardess.

Linens can be washed on board.

NORDDEUTSCHE LLOYD,
For further particulars, apply to

MELCHERS & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 14th December 1905. [38]

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

FRENCH MAIL STEAMERS.

STEAM FOR SAIGON, SINGAPORE, BATAVIA, COLOMBO, INDIA, ADEN, DJIBOUTI, EGYPT, MARSEILLES, LONDON, HAVRE, BORDEAUX, MEDITERRANEAN AND BLACK SEA PORTS.

THE Steamship

"ERNEST SIMONS."

Captain Bourdon, will be despatched for MELCHERS & CO. on TUESDAY, the 9th January, at 1 P.M.

This Steamer connects at Colombo with the Australian line s.s. "Yeo," bound for MELCHERS & CO. via BOMBAY and ADEN.

Passage tickets and through Bills of Lading issued for above ports.

Cargo also booked for principal places in Europe.

Next sailings will be as follows:

S.S. "POLYNESIEN" ... 23

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FORTNIGHTLY SAILINGS FOR LONDON AND CONTINENT.

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TAKING CARGO ON THROUGH BILLS OF LADING FOR ALL EUROPEAN, NORTH AND SOUTH AMERICAN, WEST AUSTRALIAN, JAVA AND SUMATRA PORTS.

EUROPEAN SERVICE.

OUTWARDS.

| FROM | STEAMERS | TO SAIL | DUE |
|-----------------------|--------------|-------------------|-----|
| GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL | "PYRRHUS" | On 1st January. | |
| GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL | "PATROCLUS" | On 2nd January. | |
| GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL | "SAINT BEDE" | On 4th January. | |
| GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL | "ANTENOR" | On 16th January. | |
| GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL | "OOPACK" | On 23rd January. | |
| GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL | "NINGCHOW" | On 24th January. | |
| GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL | "ACHILLES" | On 30th January. | |
| GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL | "PELEUS" | On 6th February. | |
| GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL | "ALCINOUS" | On 13th February. | |

HOMEWARDS.

| FOR | STEAMERS | TO SAIL | DUE |
|---------------------------------|--------------|-------------------|-----|
| AMSTERDAM, LONDON and ANTWERP | "TYDEUS" | On 2nd January. | |
| AMSTERDAM, LONDON and ANTWERP | "IDOMENEUS" | On 10th January. | |
| GENOA, MARSEILLES and LIVERPOOL | "PAKLING" | On 20th January. | |
| AMSTERDAM, LONDON and ANTWERP | "STENTOR" | On 30th January. | |
| AMSTERDAM, LONDON and ANTWERP | "SAINT BEDE" | On 13th February. | |
| GENOA, MARSEILLES and LIVERPOOL | "PATROCLUS" | On 20th February. | |
| AMSTERDAM, LONDON and ANTWERP | "ANTENOR" | On 27th February. | |

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THE NORTHERN PACIFIC RAILWAY CO. AND TAKING CARGO ON THROUGH BILLS OF LADING TO ALL OVERLAND COMMON POINTS IN THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA AND CANADA.

EA TWARD.

| FOR | STEAMERS | TO SAIL | DUE |
|--|------------|------------------|-----|
| VICTORIA, SEATTLE, TACOMA, & all PACIFIC COAST PORTS | "NINGCHOW" | On 24th January. | |
| NAGASAKI, KOBE and YOKO-HAMA | | | |

WESTWARD.

| FROM | STEAMERS | TO SAIL | DUE |
|---|------------|-------------------|-----|
| TACOMA, SEATTLE, VICTORIA and PACIFIC COAST | "TYDUS" | On 28th December. | |
| | "PINGSUEY" | On 28th January. | |

For Freight, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, AGENTS.

Hongkong, 15th December, 1905.

CHINA NAVIGATION CO. LIMITED.

SHANGHAI STEAMERS TO SAIL
MANILA "SHAOSHING" On 2nd January.
KOBE and NAGASAKI "TEAN" On 2nd January.
MANILA, ZAMBOANGA, PORT DARWIN, THURSDAY ISLAND, CO-KTOWN, CAIRNS, TOWNSVILLE, BRISBANE, SYDNEY and YELBOURNE "CHIHLI" On 3rd January.
"CHINGTU" On 16th January.

The attention of Passengers is directed to the superior accommodation offered by these steamers, which are fitted throughout with Electric Light, Unrivalled Table, A duly qualified Surgeon is carried.

† Taking Cargo on through bills of lading to all Yangtze and Northern China Ports.

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REDUCED SALOON FARES, SINGLE AND RETURN, TO MANILA AND AUSTRALIAN PORTS.

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Hongkong, 28th December, 1905.

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NORTHERN PACIFIC LINE.
BOSTON S. S. CO. BOSTON TOWBOAT CO. CONNECTING AT TACOMA WITH NORTHERN PACIFIC RAILWAY COMPANY.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG FOR VICTORIA B.C. AND TACOMA VIA MOJI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA.

Steamer. Tons. Captain. Sailing Date.

SHAWMUT 9,606 E. V. Roberts Tuesday, January 23rd

Cargo only.

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PARCEL EXPRESS TO THE UNITED STATES AND CANADA.

For further information apply to DODWELL & CO., LIMITED, GENERAL AGENTS.

QUEEN'S BUILDINGS, Hongkong, 15th December, 1905.

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PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

FOR STEAMERS TO SAIL. REMARKS.

YOKOHAMA AND SHANGHAI, SUMATRA About 7th Freight and MOJI and KOBE E. W. Bruce January Passage.

LONDON and ANTWERP, VIA SINGAPORE, PENANG, PALMA, COLOMBO, PORT SAID About 7th Freight only. G. W. Cockman, R.N.E. January and MARSELLES

LONDON & CO., VIA USUAL PORTS, DELTA Noon, 13th of CALL C. L. Daniel January See Special Advertisements.

SHANGHAI ARCADIA About 13th Freight and A. G. Cubitt, R.N.E. January Passage.

For further Particulars, apply to E. A. HEWETT, Superintendent.

Hongkong, 1st January, 1906.

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IMPERIAL GERMAN MAIL LINE.

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD, BREMEN.

STEAM FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, ADEN, SUEZ, PORT SAID, NAPLES, GENOA, ANTWERP, BREMEN/HAMBURG, PORTS IN THE LEVANTE, BLACK SEA AND BALTIc PORTS; ALSO, LONDON, NEW YORK, BOSTON, BALTIMORE, NEW ORLEANS, GALVESTON, AND SOUTH AMERICAN PORTS.

STEAMERS WILL CALL AT GIBRALTAR AND SOUTHAMPTON TO LAND PASSENGERS AND LUGGAGE.

N.B.—CARGO CAN BE TAKEN ON THROUGH BILLS OF LADING FOR THE PRINCIPAL PLACES IN ASIA.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG—SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

STEAMERS.

SAILING DATES.

1906

| PRINZ EITEL FRIEDRICH | WEDNESDAY | 3rd January |
|-----------------------|-----------|---------------|
| GNEISENAU | WEDNESDAY | 17th January |
| ROON | WEDNESDAY | 31st January |
| PREUSSEN | WEDNESDAY | 14th February |
| Zieten | WEDNESDAY | 28th February |
| PRINZ ALICE | WEDNESDAY | 14th March |
| BAUERN | WEDNESDAY | 23th March |
| PRINZ REGENT LUITPOLD | WEDNESDAY | 11th April |
| PRINZ EITEL FRIEDRICH | WEDNESDAY | 25th April |
| SACHSEN | WEDNESDAY | 9th May |
| PRINZ HEINRICH | WEDNESDAY | 23rd May |
| DOON | WEDNESDAY | 6th June |
| PREUSSEN | WEDNESDAY | 20th June |
| Zieten | WEDNESDAY | 4th July |
| OLDENBURG | WEDNESDAY | 18th July |
| BAUERN | WEDNESDAY | 1st August |
| PRINZ REGENT LUITPOLD | WEDNESDAY | 15th August |
| PRINZ EITEL FRIEDRICH | WEDNESDAY | 29th August |

ON DECEMBER, the 3rd day of 1906, at NOON, the Steamship "PRINZ EITEL FRIEDRICH," Captain Malchow, with MAILED, PASSENGERS, SPECIES, and CARGO, will leave this Port as above, CALLING AT NAPLES and GENOA.

Shipping Orders will be granted till NOON, on MONDAY, the 1st January. Cargo and Specie will be received on Board until 5 P.M. on TUESDAY, the 2nd January, and Parcel will be received at the Agency's Office until NOON, on TUESDAY, the 2nd January.

Contents of Packages are required. No Parcel Receipts will be signed for less than 32.50, and Parcels should not exceed Two Feet Cubic in Measurement.

The Steamer has splendid accommodation, and carries a Doctor and Stewardess. Linen can be washed on board.

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD.

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MELCHERS & CO., AGENTS.

Hongkong, 20th December, 1905.

JAVA-CHINA-JAPAN LIJN.

REGULAR FOUR-WEEKLY SERVICE BETWEEN

JAVA, CHINA AND JAPAN.

| STEAMER | FROM | EXPECTED ON OR ABOUT | WILL LEAVE FOR | ON OR ABOUT |
|------------|-------|------------------------|--------------------|------------------------|
| TIJIMAH | JAPAN | First half of January | JAVA PORTS | First half of January |
| TIJILIWONG | JAVA | First half of January | JAPAN via SHANGHAI | Second half of January |
| TIJILATJAE | JAVA | Second half of January | JAPAN via SHANGHAI | First half of February |
| TIJIPANAS | JAPAN | Second half of January | JAVA PORTS | First half of February |

The Steamers are all fitted throughout with Electric Light and have accommodation for a limited number of Saloon Passengers, and will take Cargo to all Netherlands-Indian ports on through Bills of Lading.

For Particulars of Freight and Passage, apply to the HEAD AGENCY OF THE JAVA-CHINA-JAPAN LIJN.

York Buildings, 1st Floor, Hongkong, 25th December, 1905.

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JAPAN COALS.

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REGULAR STEAMSHIP SERVICES BETWEEN HONGKONG, SOUTH CHINA COAST PORTS AND FORMOSA.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG—SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

REGULAR STEAMSHIP SERVICE TO NEW YORK.

VIA PORTS AND SUEZ CANAL (WITH LIBERTY TO CALL AT MALABAR COAST).

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG, 1905. About

ATHOLL 12th Jan. to follow.
PATHAN 12th Jan. to follow.
ST. GEORGE 12th Jan. to follow.

For Freight and further information, apply to DODWELL & CO., LTD.

Agents: Hongkong, 1st January, 1906. 2105-2135

"GREEN" LINE OF STEAMERS.

FOR MARSEILLES, LONDON AND ANTWERP.

THE Steamship GLENTURRIET.

Captain R. Webster, will be despatched as above on or about TUESDAY, the 16th January.

POST OFFICE NOTICES.

The *Room*, with the German mail of the 5th December, 1905, left Singapore on Friday the 20th inst., at 10 a.m., and may be expected here to-morrow.

E.Z. A Mail for MACAO, is despatched per 8.5. *Wingchai*, on week-days at 5.00 p.m. On Sunday the mail for Macao is closed at 8.00 a.m.

E.Z. Mails for CANTON, SAMSHUI, and WUCHOW are closed on week-days at 7.30 a.m. and at 5.00 p.m.

Mails for NANTAO, SANHUE, *KONGMUN, *KUMCHUK, *SAMSHUI, and *Wuchow are closed every weekday, at 5 p.m. On Sundays the mails are closed at 9 a.m.

*No mails are despatched to these places on Saturday evenings, unless previously notified.

MAILS WILL CLOSE

| FOR | PER | DATE |
|---|-----|--------------------------|
| Hainan and Pakhoi | | Monday, 1st, 9.00 A.M. |
| Tsingtao and Vladivostock | | Monday, 1st, 9.00 A.M. |
| Calcutta | | Monday, 1st, 9.00 A.M. |
| Calcutta | | Monday, 1st, 9.00 A.M. |
| Swatow, Amoy and Foochow | | Monday, 1st, 9.00 A.M. |
| Shanghai | | Tuesday, 2nd, 10.00 A.M. |
| Shanghai | | Tuesday, 2nd, 2.00 P.M. |
| Shanghai | | Tuesday, 2nd, 3.00 P.M. |
| Shanghai | | Tuesday, 2nd, 5.00 P.M. |
| Wednesday, 3rd, | | |
| Printed Matter and Samples | | 10.00 A.M. |
| Registration | | 10.00 A.M. |
| (Registration, with late fee of 10 cents, up to 10.45 A.M.) | | |
| Registration | | 10.00 A.M. |
| Kowloon B.O. | | 10.00 A.M. |
| No late fee | | |
| Letters | | 11.00 A.M. |
| Wednesday, 3rd, 2.00 P.M. | | |
| Wednesday, 3rd, 3.00 P.M. | | |
| Friday, 5th, | | |
| Printed Matter and Samples | | 10.00 A.M. |
| Registration | | 10.00 A.M. |
| (Registration, with late fee of 10 cents, up to 10.45 A.M.) | | |
| Registration | | 10.00 A.M. |
| Kowloon B.O. | | 10.00 A.M. |
| No late fee | | |
| Letters | | 11.00 A.M. |
| Friday, 5th, 3.00 P.M. | | |
| Saturday, 6th, 9.00 A.M. | | |
| Saturday, 6th, 11.00 A.M. | | |
| Enturday, 6th, 2.00 P.M. | | |
| Tuesday, 9th, 10.00 A.M. | | |
| Tuesday, 9th, | | |
| Printed Matter and Samples | | 10.00 A.M. |
| Registration | | 10.00 A.M. |
| (Registration, with late fee of 10 cents, up to 10.45 A.M.) | | |
| Registration | | 10.00 A.M. |
| Kowloon B.O. | | 10.00 A.M. |
| No late fee | | |
| Letters | | 11.00 A.M. |
| Wednesday, 10th, | | |
| Printed Matter and Samples | | 10.00 A.M. |
| Registration | | 10.00 A.M. |
| (Registration, with late fee of 10 cents, up to 10.45 A.M.) | | |
| Registration | | 10.00 A.M. |
| Kowloon B.O. | | 10.00 A.M. |
| No late fee | | |
| Letters | | 11.00 A.M. |
| Tuesday, 9th, | | |
| Printed Matter and Samples | | 10.00 A.M. |
| Registration | | 10.00 A.M. |
| (Registration, with late fee of 10 cents, up to 10.45 A.M.) | | |
| Registration | | 10.00 A.M. |
| Kowloon B.O. | | 10.00 A.M. |
| No late fee | | |
| Letters | | 11.00 A.M. |

EUROPE, &c., India via Tuticorin (Late Letters 11.00 to 11.30 A.M. Extra Postage 10 cents).

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COMMERCIAL.

CLOSING QUOTATIONS

ON LONDON— 30th December. Telegraphic Transfer 2.0%; Bank Bills, on demand 2.1%; Bank Bills, at 30 days' sight 2.0%; Bank Bills, at 4 months' sight 2.1%; Documentary Bills, 4 months' sight 2.1%*

ON PARIS— Bank Bills, on demand 2.5%; Credits, at 4 months' sight 2.6%*

ON GERMANY— On demand 2.6%*

ON NEW YORK— Bank Bills, on demand 4.9%; Credits, 60 days' sight 5.0%*

ON BOMBAY— Telegraphic Transfer 1.52%; Bank, on demand... 1.52%*

ON CALCUTTA— Telegraphic Transfer 1.52%; Bank, on demand... 1.52%*

ON SHANGHAI— Bank, at sight 7.1%; Private, 30 days' sight 7.2%*

ON YOKOHAMA— On demand 9.9%*

ON MANILA— On demand—Peso—10%*

ON SINGAPORE— On demand... S\$0.00 p.m.

ON BATAVIA— On demand... 1.2%*

ON HAIPHONG— On demand 1 p.c. p.m.

ON SAIGON— On demand 1 p.c. p.m.

ON BANGKOK— On demand... 6.0%*

SOVEREIGN, Bank's Buying Rate... 9.75

GOLD LEAF, 100 fine, per tael 51.80

BAR SILVER, per oz. 29.1%*

VESSELS EXPECTED.

THE GERMAN MAIL. The I.G.M. str. *Prinz Eitel Friedrich* left Shanghai on Saturday at 11 a.m., and may be expected here this afternoon.

The I.G.M. str. *Roon* left Singapore on Friday at 13 a.m., and may be expected here to-morrow, p.m.

THE AMERICAN MAIL.

The N.Y.K. str. *Nippon Maru* left Yokohama on the 27th Dec., and is due here on the 5th Jan.

The C. & G. str. *Empress of India* left Vancouver on Tuesday, the 26th Dec., a.m., for Hongkong via the usual ports of call.

MERCHANT STEAMERS.

The str. *Elie* left Manila on the 29th Jan. at 4 p.m., and is due here to-day at daylight.

The O.S.S. & C.M. str. *Parvati* left Singapore on the 26th Dec., and is due here to-day.

The str. *Atrato* appears, from Calcutta, left Singapore on the 27th Dec., p.m., and is due here to-day.

The British str. *Caicos* left Moji on the 27th Dec. for this port, and may be expected here to-day.

The O.S.S. & C.M. str. *Patroclus* left Singapore on the 28th Dec. at daylight, and is due here to-morrow.

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Departures from Hongkong to Canton daily at 8.30 a.m. (Sunday excepted), 9 p.m. and 10.30 p.m.

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Departures from Macao to Hongkong daily at 8 a.m.

CANTON-MACAO LINE.

S.S. "LUNGSHAN," 219 tons, Captain T. Hamlin.

This Steamer leaves Canton for Macao every Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday at 8 a.m., and leaves Macao for Canton every Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 7.30 a.m.

JOINT SERVICE OF THE HONGKONG, CANTON AND MACAO STEAMBOAT CO., LTD., THE CHINA NAVIGATION CO., LTD., AND THE INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION CO., LTD.

CANTON-WUCHOW LINE.

S.S. "SAINAM," 588 tons, Captain W. A. Valentine.

S.S. "NANNING," 589 tons, Captain C. Butchart.

One of the above Steamers leaves Canton for Wuchow every Monday, Wednesday and Round trips take about 5 days. These vessels have Superior Cabin Accommodation and are lighted throughout by electricity.

Further particulars may be obtained at the Office of the

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NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

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STEAMSHIP "LYRA,"

FROM TACOMA, VICTORIA, YOKOHAMA, KOBE, MOJI AND MANILA.

TIME TABLE.

WEEK DAYS.

7.00 a.m. to 9.00 a.m. Every 10 minutes.

9.00 a.m. to 9.30 a.m. Every 15 minutes.

9.30 a.m. to 9.30 a.m. Every 10 minutes.

9.30 a.m. to 11.00 a.m. Every 15 minutes.